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1. THE GROUP B, IN THE REGULAR CONSULTATIONS WITH THE SECRETARIAT ON APRIL 19, MADE IT CLEAR THAT NO POSSIBILITY EXISTED AT ALL FOR NEGOTIATIONS ON AN AGREED OUTCOME TO THE 8TH SPECIAL SESSION ON REVIEW AND APPRAISAL IN VIEW OF THE SECRETARIAT'S DERELICTION IN THE ISSUANCE OF THE PERTINENT DOCUMENTATION IN GOOD TIME. THE GROUP B SPOKESMAN STATED THAT THE MOST THAT COULD BE EXPECTED FROM THE REVIEW CONCERNING NIEO AND CERDS WOULD BE A RESTATEMENT OF THE WELL-KNOWN VIEWS OF THE INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS OF GROUP B. THE TIMING OF THE ISSUANCE OF DOCUMENTATION PRECLUDES ANY OTHER OUTCOME.

2. CONCERNING THE INCLUSION OF THE QUESTION OF TUNGSTEN ON THE AGENDA OF THE 8TH SPECIAL SESSION, THE GROUP STATED THAT IT BELIEVED THAT CONSULTATION SHOULD TAKE PLACE BY GROUPS WITH THE PRESIDENT OF THE TDB ON THE PROCEDURAL QUESTIONS OF WHERE AND WHEN FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF THE
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QUESTION SHOULD TAKE PLACE, BUT THAT IT WAS NOT PREPARED AS A GROUP TO SUBMIT "DRAFT PROPOSALS" AS REQUESTED BY THE SECRETARIAT SINCE THE MATTER WAS NOT ONE OF GEOGRAPHIC GROUP POSITIONS BUT RATHER OF PRODUCER/CONSUMER POSITIONS.

3. ON THE QUESTION OF THE MINISTERIAL LEVEL MEETINGS,

THE GROUP B REITERATED ITS VIEW THAT THERE SHOULD BE ONLY ONE SUCH MEETING AND THAT THE AGENDA MUST INCLUDE MORE THAN ONE SINGLE ITEM. THERE WAS GENERAL AGREEMENT WITHIN GROUP B PRIOR TO THE CONSULTATION WITH THE U.S. POSITION AS STATED IN REFTTEL.

4. RELATING TOO THE QUESTION OF THE WORKING PARTY ON THE MEDIUM TERM PLAN AND THE PROGRAM BUDGET, THE SECRETARIAT INDICATED THAT DOCUMENT TD/B/643 WOULD NOT BE AVAILABLE UNTIL THE OPENING OF THE SESSION, THAT CHAPTER 11 OF THE PROPOSED UN BUDGET WOULD NOT BE AVAILABLE FOR CONSIDERATION AND THAT THE MEDIUM-TERM PLAN WOULD NOT BE CONSIDERED SINCE THE UNGA HAD DECIDED THAT THE MEDIUM-TERM PLAN WOULD BE CONSIDERED ON ALTERNATE YEARS FROM THE PROGRAM/BUDGET AND THAT THE UNGA HAD ALREADY CONSIDERED THE MEDIUM-TERM PLAN LAST YEAR. IN REACTION TO THE SECRETARIAT'S STATEMENT, THE GROUP B COORDINATOR STATED THAT THE LACK OF DOCUMENTATION MADE "A SHAM AND MOCKERY" OF THE MANDATE OF THE WORKING PARTY.

5. A LENGTHY AND ACRIMONIOUS DISCUSSION CONTINUED, PRIMARILY BETWEEN MEMBERS OF THE GROUP B AND THE SECRETARIAT, ON THE COMPLETE FAILURE OF THE SECRETARIAT TO MEET ANY OF ITS DEADLINES ON THE ISSUANCE OF DOCUMENTATION. LIBYA JOINED IN THE DISCUSSION LAMENTING THE INABILITY OF THE SECRETARIAT TO PRODUCE TIMELY DOCUMENTATION IN ARABIC. THE FRENCH DELEGATE SUGGESTED CONVENING A GROUP OF PRIVATE EXPERTS, SUCH AS HAD BEEN DONE BY UNESCO SOME FOUR YEARS AGO, TO REVIEW
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THE ENTIRE QUESTION OF DOCUMENTATION AND SUBMIT A REPORT ON REMEDIAL MEASURES. THE GROUP B COORDINATOR COMMENTED THAT THE FRENCH SUGGESTION WAS ONE OF MANY POSSIBILITIES, BUT UNDERLINED THAT SOME ACTION MUST BE TAKEN NOW.

6. THE GROUP OF 77 LIMITED ITSELF TO COMMENTING THAT IT HAD NOT MET TO CONSIDER THE MATTERS ON THE AGENDA AND WOULD GIVE ITS COMMENTS TO THE SECRETARIAT FOLLOWING ITS MEETING SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 21. THE SECRETARIAT TOOK NOTE OF THE COMMENTS MADE AND PROMISED TO "LOOK INTO THEM". SORENSON

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